



### **Information Pertaining To Endorsement as a Health Service Provider in Psychology (HSPP)**

Licensed psychologists must obtain endorsement as health service providers in psychology in order to engage in the independent diagnosis and treatment of mental and behavioral disorders. If a psychologist is not endorsed as a health service provider in psychology (HSPP), the only way the psychologist can engage in the diagnosis and treatment of mental and behavioral disorders is:

1. to practice under the supervision of a health service provider in psychology for the purpose of qualifying for endorsement; or
2. the psychologist holds a limited license issued under IC 25-33-1-18 and practices within the scope of the psychologist's limited license.

To download the HSPP application, go to: <https://forms.in.gov/Download.aspx?id=4807>

### **Application Guidelines for all HSPP Applicants**

Have completed a doctorate degree

- Have completed a 1,500 hour internship (completed in not less than 12 months)
- Have completed 1,600 post-internship supervised hours with a minimum of 900 hours of face-to-face client contact hours (completed in not less than 12 months)
- All forms must be completed and signed by an appropriate supervisor
- Have been granted a license to practice psychology in the State of Indiana

Or

- Proof of masters degree (if applicable)
- Have completed a doctorate degree
- Have completed a 1,500 hour internship (completed in not less than 12 months)
- Proof of completion of doctorate level practicum reflected on official transcripts (must have been completed post-masters, post-basic practicum of 400 hours and completion of 48 semester or 72 quarter hours taken for academic credit in an applied clinical, counseling, school or other related graduate program)
- Proof of post-internship hours (completed within a consecutive 60 month period)
- Doctoral level practicum and post-internship hours may be combined and must total 1,600 supervised hours with a minimum of 900 hours of face-to-face client contact
- The verification form(s) for doctoral level practicum experience shall be completed and signed by the director of training or designee of the doctoral program; one form must be submitted for each practicum experience
- The verification for post-internship experience shall be completed and signed by each psychologist who provided supervision during the post-internship experience
- Have been granted a license to practice psychology in the State of Indiana

Once the HSPP endorsement is issued, it is renewed automatically at the time the practitioner's license to practice psychology is renewed. If a Psychologist is currently obtaining post-degree supervised experience in a health service setting, the Psychologist does NOT have to be endorsed as an HSPP as long as he/she is supervised by a psychologist who IS endorsed as a HSPP.

As soon as the psychologist completes the supervised experience (or preceptorship), he/she should apply for endorsement; he/she must continue to practice under supervision until the Board acts on the application.